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RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT

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"Description

(See the List of Cited Literature for cited literature, etc.)

Claims: 1 through 8, and 26 through 29

Cited Literature: 1 through 6

Remarks

The inventions consisting of the features described in Claims 1, 2, 4, 6, 7 and 26 through 29 could be easily conceived by a person skilled in the art based on what is described in any of Cited Literature 1 through 6, for example.

List of Cited Literature

1. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication H9-261550
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3. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication H8-47058

4. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication H8-79638
5. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication H7-75029
6. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication H2-71447

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Applicant's statements regarding the Japanese Office Action are based on a partial translation that Applicant's representative obtained. These statements should in no way be considered as an agreement by Applicant with, or an admission of, what is asserted in the Japanese Office Action.

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Respectfully submitted,

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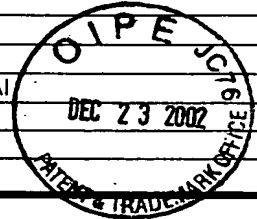
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